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SUBJECT: AIR/SEA RESCUE - ST. LAWRENCE ISLAND

1. ON APRIL 25, 2100 HOURS WASHINGTON TIME, USCG INFORMED DEPARTMENT OF OPERATION INPROGRESS TO RESCUE THREE PERSONS FROM ICE FLOW 10 MILES WEST OF ST. LAWRENCE ISLAND IN BERING SEA. CG ESTIMATES ICE FLOW CURRENTLY 10 MILES WEST OF USSR TREATY LINE.

2. EMBASSY SHOULD NOTIFY MFA OF PLANNED RESCUE OPERATION NEAR TREATY LINE: C-130 AIRCRAFT HAS BEEN DISPATCHED FROM KODIAK AND IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE OVER ICE FLOW AT 0300 ZULU APRIL 26. HELICOPTER ALSO DISPATCHED FROM

KODIAK AND ESTIMATED TIME OF ARRIVAL GAMBELL 0800 ZULU. HELICOPTER WILL ATTEMPT TO PICK UP THREE PERSONS FROM ICE FLOW.

3. RESCUE OPERATION PLANS PASSED SOVIET EMBASSY WASHINGTON AND CG NOTIFIED SOVIET AIR CONTROLLERS VIA FAA CHANNEL KODIAK-TOKYO-HAKODATE-PETROPAVLOVSK-KAMCHKA.

4. AS OF 2215 WASHINGTON TIME CG REPORTS THREE PERSONS
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ARE GAMBELL RESIDENTS WHO WERE ON HUNTING PARTY. KISSINGER

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